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IN another column will be found a circular which is being sent out to all members of the University Council. It is interesting reading, and it tells of a growth and prosperity which should rejoice the hearts of all friends and benefactors of Queen's. Few institutions can show a more satisfactory development during the period referred to in the circular. None that we know of can produce a record at all equal as regards wisdom and economy of administration, or loyal and self-sacrificing support by alumni and friends.

But further accommodation has become imperative, and the Council has a right to look for a cheerful and generous response to whatever appeal it may decide to make. The very necessity for such a demand proves the wisdom of past generations of benefactors, and all that is needed is that we should meet the new conditions with the same faith and self-denial that they in their day exhibited. The steady, normal development of our Alma Mater is cause for honest pride, for she has won her way and proved her right to her present position by a steadfast adhesion to high ideals, and by the efficiency of the equipment for noble living which she is giving her sons and daughters. To-day she is attracting more students, and from a wider area than ever before,

and is recognized by all unprejudiced authorities as in the very front rank of institutions for higher education. To be able to assist, therefore, in even a humble way, in equipping her for the yet more efficient discharge of her work is cause for rejoicing and not for grumbling. The students and graduates of Queen's owe her a debt which they can never repay in cold cash, but only in a loyal adherence to the lofty ideals of life for which she stands, and on this very account they will be the more ready to give of their substance for the furtherance of whatever plan may be decided upon in view of present pressing needs.

But her students and graduates are not alone indebted to her. Canadians generally owe a debt of gratitude to the sturdy founders of Queen's and to their zealous successors. Her ideals are national in the truest sense, national, too, is the influence she is exerting, and the forthcoming appeal will no doubt meet with a generous response from hundreds of people outside the ranks of university graduates, — earnest souls in all walks of life who appreciate her value as a factor in the higher intellectual and spiritual life of the country. May the first brass tablet that is placed in the building which is to be, number the benefactors, not by the thousand, but by the ten thousand.

There is one suggestion, however, against which the JOURNAL feels it to be its duty to protest in the interests of the students, and that is the converting of the basement of the proposed new building into a gymnasium. Such a scheme we believe to be inadvisable, and we hope that when the whole plan comes up for consideration it will be found possible to devise some more adequate solution of the gymnasium problem. From the attic of the Science Hall to the second storey of the Workshops was, no doubt, a well intentioned move, but as it failed to provide anything like satisfactory accommodation, so, we feel that a further descent into underground quarters as an annex of the museum will be but a disappointment to the boys, and an expenditure from which no adequate return will ensue.

With such a rider to the proposition, it is a foregone conclusion that the sympathy and support of the students will lose much of its spontaneity and zeal. We need a properly equipped gymnasium and need it badly, and it has been the cherished hope of the students that the next new building would be so designed as to meet this need. But if it were to come to a question between a low ceiled basement room and no gym. at all the most of us would vote for the latter, for we look to the day when our University shall possess a gymnasium equipment of the best possible nature, and we prefer to worry along with the present makeshift rather than encourage the erection of another, only less objectionable, and one which would but further defer the realization of the ideal which has for these many years past animated the boys.

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"In time of peace prepare for war" is said to be very good advice in military matters, and it applies equally well to athletic affairs. It is perhaps not too much to say that the measure of success which we shall achieve on the football campus next fall will be to a large extent determined by the action of the A.M.S. during the present term. The personnel of the Football Executive and of the Athletic Committee constitutes two of the most important factors making for success or failure, for progress towards a high ideal of sport or a lapse into methods now happily discredited by a large section of the students.

Next to the ability and character of the men to whom this honor is entrusted (and we say "honor" advisedly) the most important factor is a distinct understanding as to the relation between the two committees and as clear and explicit a formulation as possible of the duties of each. This question of the relation subsisting between the Athletic Committee and the various sporting organizations is in the hands of a competent committee, which will no doubt report in due time, but as this is a matter which affects every student, a public discussion will no doubt be welcomed by the committee to which has been assigned this important work.

The first question is as to the principle on which the members of the Athletic Committee should be chosen. Should it be representative of all the sporting interests or should it be representative simply of the A.M.S., without regard to the sporting proclivities or affiliations of the men who compose it? The first of these principles is, we think, vicious and sure to lead to difficulties more serious than those which it seeks to avoid. The duties of the Athletic Committee are largely administrative, and during the football season, especially, men actually playing on the teams and spending much

time in practice ought not to be further burdened with the work and responsibility which these duties would entail. Moreover, it is quite conceivable that the power of a committee thus formed would sometimes be weakened by sectional or rival interests and thus afford a field for that log-rolling which invariably brings corruption and crookedness in its train.

The Athletic Committee should be first and foremost an Alma Mater committee, chosen from among students who show the most active interest in college institutions generally, and who have been proved to have the administrative ability and the probity and independence of character which give their fellow-students full confidence in them.

But that is not sufficient, as was seen from the difficulty which arose last fall. The interests of the various sports must be in some way represented, and the Athletic Committee must be kept in the closest touch and sympathy with the various sub-organizations. Our plan for this would be to reduce the committee to seven or even to five executive members, and then make the secretary-treasurer of each club or team an advisory member of the committee, to be notified of all meetings and to be privileged to sit with the executive members in the discussion of all matters, but without the right to vote.

The advantages of such an arrangement are obvious. The committee could never, under such a system, act without full knowledge of the opinions and requirements of a team, as expressed through its legal representative, and if the latter failed to attend there could be no legitimate ground for calling in question the action of the committee. Again, if the committee acted in a given case contrary to the advice of such a representative, and appeal to the A.M.S. became necessary, the appellant would not be hampered in presenting his case, by the necessity of submitting a minority report or moving a vote of censure. This would strengthen his position materially and also enable the society to arbitrate on a question of policy merely, and not on one complicated by the question of personal grievances.

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The Conversat., which will be over before this meets the eye of our readers, is, let us hope, the last social gathering of the session. It is the one function in which all classes and faculties of students join in extending to personal friends and friends of the college such hospitality as they may, in return for many acts of kindness and social courtesies, and it should be the ambition of everyone to make it as worthy of the college and students as is possible with our present limited accommodations.

But this year we have had in addition the Freshmen's Reception, which has come to be an annual

affair, though there is a growing doubt as to whether in its present form it really serves the intended purpose, an "At Home" by the Levana Society, and a similar function by every undergraduate year in Arts; all these, with one exception, in the main building. Is it not time to write "Ichabod" across the charter of the Concursus, when the freshmen of this venerable seat of learning can monopolize the bulletin board for weeks with notices of meetings of invitation, decoration, programme and other committees, and then meet to sip luke-warm coffee and indulge in small talk and anagrams, whatever kind of dessert they are, until the unseemly hour of 1.30 a.m.?

Seriously, though, this business of "At Homes" in the College is getting a trifle monotonous; this particular vein has been over-worked and there is not much pay-dirt left in it. An "At Home," as we understand it, is a social function wherein a person or society is "at home" at a certain time for the reception and entertainment of friends. But in the case of most of those referred to, the "hosts" have been "at home" to themselves and a very limited number of delegates from other years or faculties.

The Levana's Thanksgiving reception was timely and appropriate, and there is something commendable in the idea of a social meeting of the senior year sometime during its final session, but the other years should go out of the business. Instead of selfishly confining their activities to those things which bring pleasure only to themselves they should manifest a little more of the university spirit and give a more generous support to those institutions which embrace the whole student body. Loyalty to one's own particular year is a commendable and virtuous thing, but, when it tends to split off a section of the students from full participation in the responsibilities and activities of college life as a whole, it is to be deprecated.

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Several news items, contributions, &c., were received too late for insertion in the last number, and the same thing occurred in regard to the one previous to the last. Most of these are now ancient history and are therefore withheld altogether. A word to friends sending us news items or other matter for publication may not be amiss. All meetings should be reported immediately after they take place. This work should be done by the secretary, unless some other reporter is appointed. These reports should be as concise as is consistent with clearness. All matter for publication should be sent in not later than Monday noon of the week in which the JOURNAL is issued, to secure the publication in the ensuing number. Personal items regarding recent graduates, and those sons and daughters of

Queen's who have in any conspicuous way reflected credit on their Alma Mater are especially desirable, but the name of the contributor must invariably accompany the items. Recently a short personal was received marked "from a member of '02," and probably the contributor feels that efforts to assist the JOURNAL are unappreciated, because the item did not appear, but our rule on this point is imperative. An interesting account of the students' reception at the Frontenac on Dec. 14th was sent in on the 21st, just one day before the issue of the last number. As a month has now passed since the reception occurred we feel justified in giving the space to more recent news. Attention to these small points will greatly facilitate the work of the staff and add to the value of the JOURNAL as a students' paper.

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Some critics have fallen foul of Mr. Mulock's motto on the new stamp issued to commemorate the imperial penny postage. We suggest the best possible one from every point of view to be, "My penny goes over the Ocean." The old song will awaken memories, and no foreign power can dispute the fact.

Contributions.

MY TRIP TO EUROPE.

(Continued from last issue.)

WE leave Sheffield for London; the train pulls out at a slow pace. We enter a tunnel and emerge again. We speed over ridges, gullies and bridges. The banks along the railway are covered with daisies, cowslips and buttercups.

Looking across the country, away on the distant hillside I see an English maid plucking wild flowers. I bring my field glasses to bear upon her and she seems to approach. She is not the sweet Highland girl nor the solitary reaper, but an English country lass of say sixteen summers, with golden hair floating to the breeze, peek-a-boo bonnet, mother Hubbard gown with sash (that reveals her well-developed form), now stopping to gather the flowers, now resting to arrange them, and gazing upwards as if in meditation or devotion, or offering a prayer to the Giver of all good for making her native land so fair.

Through fields of grain we move on our way to London at a tremendous rate of speed; round corners that make the coaches reel and swing like a drunken man on a Jubilee booze.

A passenger near me buys a ready-made-get-what-you-can lunch basket for three shillings. It contains chicken, ham, rolls, potatoes, vegetables, a bottle of wine, knife, fork and spoon. The train stops a moment. The guard unlocks the car door, examines the tickets, locks the door again, and we are off. Some of us get excited for we will soon be in the metropolis of the world.

Market gardens appear, another tunnel, a hop-step-and-jump and we are in

OLD LONDON.

Can I describe my first impressions? The sun darkened at mid-day, the roar of a thousand



CHEAPSIDE, LONDON.

vehicles on the stone-paved streets, the cries of newsboys and fruit vendors, the jangle of bells, the hurry of the multitude, men, women and children in kaleidoscopic variety of dress and character, a never-ending panorama of humanity, all hurrying, rushing, crowding, bustling, or pursuing their way with the rhythm of the crowd—a flowing current. Where are they all going? It is the *Queen's Jubilee*—5,000,000 strangers in London to-day, a congested mass of humanity.

Everything in London has a Jubilee appearance, and prices accordingly. Indeed, when one saw the beauty of the jewels worn by the foreign princesses, it would seem as if some of the old fables of the Arabian Nights had become facts, and that many had had access to Aladdin's wonderful cave; or, as if the wealth of the Indies had been sent over to add to the brilliancy of this world's greatest pageant.

Our own delegates were accorded a hearty reception, and were cheered all along the route.

There is much to attract and interest one in London; the historic landmarks, the public monuments and massive public buildings, imposing from their grand proportions, and also from the splendour of the decorations.

But behind her stateliest palaces, and athwart her brightest streets and squares, falls the grim shadow of some tragic episode in history. Yet, after all, these startling contrasts give to London a charm which no new or unhistoric city can ever possess. The difference is akin to that between a young

recruit arrayed in a bright, new uniform and weapons never used save on parade, and some old warrior of a hundred battles, whose body bears the scars of conflict and on whose blunted sword are stains of blood.

As I was going down Picadilly one day I saw a sad sight. In front of a restaurant of the better class, a young girl of perhaps eighteen, fascinating, handsome, a refined type of beauty indicating artistic temperament, meanly clad, stood gazing into the window.

The aroma from within, escaping by the open windows and door, and the tempting display of food in the window caught her attention, and she stood gazing longingly. Faint and famished she seemed ready to fall. She looked up at me so beseechingly that all the humane promptings in my Celtic nature rose strong within my heart.

I was certain she was a deserving creature, with a sad and painful history.

A single glance told me an eloquent story of hardship, privation and want. She was too proud to beg, too honest to steal, too noble to descend to a life of shame, and would starve in the streets rather than sacrifice her honor.

Oh, what a civilization! Who is responsible for the tragic inequalities of destitution and irresponsible wealth? What new comer will evolve from it a



HOLBORN CIRCUS, LONDON.

system of higher civilization, of protection from wrongs of starvation, from the dangers of extreme poverty?

I paid for the poor girl's dinner, and while eating she gave me a fragmentary history of her life.

Close your eyes now to the outside world, and you can see a meanly furnished room, a number of sketches, studies and pastels; in the corner a draped figure, with moist clay, a few rude modelling tools, while upon an easel you see an oil sketch of singular power and pathos. Evidently the work has been hastily done, perhaps under the stress of hunger. The scene is intended to represent the young girl's idea of home, and so finely conceived, so crudely yet powerfully sketched—perhaps a strange idealization of this young girl's brain, perhaps a hint to her future destiny. I may be wrong in predicting a brilliant future, but if the name of Lenora Clayton does not become a family word, poverty alone or sickness will prevent it.

Addresses.

UNIVERSITY IDEALS.

ON Dec. 18th, the Principal brought to a fitting close the excellent series of Sunday afternoon addresses which characterized the fall term. As the JOURNAL went to press before the usual time, it did not find a place in No. 4, but our readers will be glad to have it in permanent form, so we present it this week.—ED.

"As the first term of the session closes this week, I will say a few words by way of review of the College corporate life, which finds its highest and fittest expression in these meetings for praise, prayer and counsel.

"What are the ideals of the University? What cause have we for thankfulness? What are our shortcomings?

"One of our ideals is self-government: that the students should govern themselves; that even discipline should be in their hands, subject to the rightful headship of the Senate, which has interposed only once in ten years; that the Senate should be self-governing and not liable to be overruled within its extensive province by external authority; that the Trustees should embody the past history and the life of the University, and that their decisions on all matters should be final; that the University Council should represent the graduates and alumni, and that their advice should never be resented, but always respectfully considered on any points connected with the jurisdiction of students, Senate, or Trustees, while their co-operation should be invited whenever it is thought likely to promote the interests of the University.

"Now, self-government is always accompanied by danger. It is conceivable that the Trustees may exercise their authority unwisely; that the Senate may change the curricula of study not for the better but for the worse; and that graduates, and even

undergraduates, may be under the influence of false ideals. But in dealing with full-grown, intelligent men or women, the only cure for the evils of liberty is more liberty. There is no permanent cure, and no hope for the future in imposing prohibitions by a czar or a majority. Restraint is required with children, lunatics, and lawless individuals; but the university is not composed of and does not need to consider these classes.

"Self-government, moreover, is not an end but a means to an end. What is the end at which the the university aims? Surely this: the supremacy of the spiritual over the material, and of the interests of the whole over merely selfish interests. I do not say that all of us are true to that end. There may be students who think only of the superior bread and butter which a degree is likely to secure for them. There may be professors who think not of the unique position they occupy and of their duty therefore to extend the usefulness and power of the university, but only of how to get a little more salary, dignity, or ease for themselves. There may be Trustees who think not of their high responsibility but of the influence it gives them to advance some little selfish interest. There may be Councillors who accept the honour and do not think it worth their while to attend an annual meeting, or to make any sacrifice for the Alma Mater of which they boast. Of all such we say nothing. We pass them by. The end which the university exists to promote stands, notwithstanding the disloyalty of individuals. And, never was it more necessary to keep the end in view and to work for it with all our heart and soul, than in the present time, when 'the world is too much with us,' and the material threatens to overwhelm the spiritual.

"A newspaper in one of our principal cities published recently what it called a symposium on 'What have we to be thankful for?' by twenty-three men, whom it considered to represent the religious, intellectual, social, and industrial life of the community. On the whole, the said symposium was melancholy reading. With two or three exceptions, the causes for thankfulness specified were wholly material or denominational. 'Satisfactory railway earnings,' 'Business unprecedentedly sound,' 'Financial improvement,' 'Best season ever had,' 'Expansion of trade,' 'God's favours to our Church,' 'The prospects of our Church never better,' 'Our progress as a Church,' are headings which showed that these representative men considered that the community and they themselves should be most thankful for. It is not for a moment to be thought that we should not be thankful for good harvests, improved economic conditions, work for all, and satisfactory condition of ecclesiastical organizations;

but are these the chief things? Does man live by these mainly? Does the spirit live by bread or by machinery? Are these the answers which would have been given by prophets of old Judea or by the citizens of Athens or Rome—men whom we sometimes style 'the heathen'? Consider what they would answer."

The Principal gave a rapid enumeration of the things for which representatives of Jerusalem, Athens and Rome would express gratitude to Heaven, and then continued:—

"Do not fancy that this materialistic note is confined to any city. It is universal. It is implied in the unconscious utterances, even in the compliments and congratulations of friends. How often have I been told by men who wished to shew me that they, at any rate, appreciated Queen's, that there was no industry that brought so much money to the city as the University! What a conception of a centre of thought, culture and research; of all that makes for the development of man to his highest issues! Fancy an Athenian citizen talking in that strain. How different the spirit of the people of Leyden! After the siege which had decimated, starved and ruined them, and from which they had been delivered only at the last gasp, their noble prince offered them, as a reward of their heroism, exemption from taxation for a term of years or the establishment of a university in their city, they unanimously chose the latter. Would that be the vote of any Canadian city? I never heard the inhabitants of any Scotch university seat measure the advantages the city derived therefrom by the amount of money that the students and staff spent among them.

"Gentlemen, beware of vulgarizing that which is the glory of man. In so doing we degrade ourselves to the level of the beasts that perish. Keep the true ideal of life ever before your eyes, and struggle towards it.

"What cause have we to be thankful? As a university, we have this above all to be thankful for, that we are not dependent upon any political party, or any ecclesiastical or millionaire power, but that we are free to live according to our highest reason and conscience, and to develop without a suspicion of any selfish or sinister influence. This is the position occupied by the great universities of Great Britain and Ireland. We have purchased this by the labours of those who have passed away and by our loyalty to their sacrifices and spirit; and in due time we or our successors shall reap the reward, in an ever increasing potency in the highest life of the country. It is the good of Canada which we desire, and that good can be obtained only in connection with the welfare of the Empire and the welfare of the race. Again we have cause for thankful-

ness in the religious foundation of the University, and the religious spirit which has animated its benefactors, governors and students. Zeal for freedom and zeal for true religion—these were the great inspiring watchwords which animated successive generations of our Scotch ancestors. It was because they had this spirit that our founders built Queen's in days of trouble and privation. Should we or those who come after us be false to this spirit, the glory shall have departed but the spirit shall live and find for itself a new and still worthier form.

"What are our short-comings? I prefer that each of us shall answer this for himself. Each ought to know how little he has done, compared to what he has received. If he does not know, he would get little benefit from another telling him. This I am sure of, that those whose shortcomings are fewest will be most ready to confess—'We are unprofitable servants; we have done that which it was our duty to do.'"

Communication.

THE LADIES AND THE ALMA MATER.

To the Editor of the Journal,—

ATTENTION has lately been called in the JOURNAL, both editorially and "on behalf of the girls of Queen's" to the relation of the lady students to the Alma Mater Society; and being in a benevolent mood myself during this slack season, I would like to add a word or two on behalf of the extremely small minority in Alma Mater who voted against the "carrying of coals to Newcastle."

A letter from "One of the fifty-five" in the last number was commented on and answered as fully as was called for by the editor; but as one who was very strongly opposed to the appropriation by the A.M.S. of \$25 to the ladies, I would point out that the spirit with which the proposed grant was received is exactly that which was foretold, only, its expression was perhaps a trifle plainer than might have been expected—even from men. The editor passed over in silence the "I object" with which the letter opened, probably believing that, although the Senate might still continue to recognize the Society as representing the students as a whole, still it was the right and privilege of anyone to object.

Omitting the much vexed piano question, and the annoyance inflicted by a rash proposal that on two or three Saturday evenings during the winter, the girl students should contribute some part of the programme, the main contention of the article may be summed up in one typical sentence—"Let us have fair play, equal rights to all and special favours to none—let all distinctions be done away in a

society," etc. Whether the invitation to take in the meetings of Alma Mater during January and February is regarded as conferring a special favour on the ladies, or on the Society, is not made quite apparent; we are given to understand, however, that the rink is preferred, for their spare moments. Now, without seriously trespassing on the domain of Honour Philosophy, it may further be questioned whether equal rights and doing away with all distinctions are ever identical. To my mind the confusion of these two ideas is responsible for the dissatisfaction with existing conditions, among those who are anxious to break down all barriers, and I am inclined to think that in this case the latter course would effectually destroy those rights which ought to be most sacredly guarded by women. In seeking fair play they are undoubtedly right, but in identifying this with the Chinaman's "allege samee, boy, girl" policy, their own words condemn them. The writer acknowledges their present right to attend meetings, but "sentimentally" they are debarred. Whose sentiment is this? Surely not that of the men—no such lofty feelings are attributed to them in the letter referred to. Moreover, as a matter of fact, special invitations to attend have once and again been given to the girl students, who do not seem to bear in mind that such marks of respect have not been bestowed on any other class in the University. In so far as the question is one of sentiment, it is evident that it rests very largely with the ladies themselves, a consideration which renders them rather inconsistent claimants for the abolition of all distinctions. One thing is assured, i.e. if such a millennium were reached, certain prerogatives which now obtain would be forfeit. For instance, men in Alma Mater with their lower instinct of manliness, are, as a rule, prohibited from attributing to others, without reason, sinister motives, and such an unfair and unreasonable insinuation as that made to explain the so-called exclusion of girl students from the Society would hardly be in order.

I would venture to suggest that "One of the fifty-five" has hit on the wrong explanation for the absence of the girls of the A.M.S. Sentiment may have a little to do with it. I hope it has. But in a much greater degree is it to be accounted for by a very natural lack of interest in the routine business transacted. The little boy went to Anglican service for two reasons—because he loved the Lord, and because he liked it. Girl students have before now attended not only open meetings where regular business is always gone through with first, and where they might get an inkling of those terrible "subjects discussed," but also ordinary business meetings of the Society; and I have never heard it hinted that their failure to continue in attendance was due to aught there said or done of which they could not approve.

MEMBER OF THE ONE STRONG
CENTRAL ORGANIZATION.

University News.

INNOCENTS ABROAD.

GLEE, MANDOLIN AND GUITAR CLUB TOUR.

ACCORDING to the custom established last year the Glee, Mandolin and Guitar Club went for a short trip previous to the Xmas vacation. In a car gratuitously supplied by the K. & P., we journeyed north as far as Renfrew, when the first concert was given. Upon arriving at this fair town we were welcomed by a strong delegation of Queen's men who had made every arrangement for our comfort. We enjoyed very much the hospitality of those who so loyally entertained us in their homes. Other towns visited were Arnprior and Almonte, and in these places also we were given a hearty reception by graduates and friends.

Judging from the comments of those qualified to give an opinion, including the representatives of the different papers in these towns, both clubs have improved since last year. The only adverse criticism we have heard, comes from a representative of the Renfrew Mercury, who evidently had a "sore." The club's instrumental music was greatly strengthened by the addition of Mr. Greenwood's playing of the cello, and the violin selections by Mons. Andrieux were greatly appreciated; he captivated his audience in all three places. The Almonte Gazette refers to it as the best violin playing ever heard in that place. Stewart Woods was a decided success as elocutionist.

The boys generally report an excellent time, even better than that enjoyed last year. At the conclusion of the concert in each of the three places the ladies favored the boys in gown with a supper and reception. At these assemblies the hours quickly passed away in games, dancing, and merry conversation, and even when it wore on to the small hours of the morning the boys were loth to break away.

The clubs think of visiting one or two more towns very shortly, and will, in all probability, wind up the season by giving a concert in Kingston.

SOME LOST CHORDS.

The boys vote Mr. Bleeker, the accompanist, "all right"; he became a general favorite with the boys.

McIntosh evidently mistook the club for a Literary or Philosophic Society as he was always immersed in Sartor Resartus or Comte, Mill and Spencer.

Dalton—"Renfrew and Arnprior are all right, but Almonte —." Has Bunty changed his mind since last year?

W. Lavell—"By the gods of war, Almonte is the whole tip. I will visit here again before vacation is over."

Greenwood—"I don't like the quality of the Almonte cigars."

Arnprior young lady—"Who is that pretty fellow with the glasses." "Oh, that is Mr. Craig."

Woods—"I refuse to be billeted with Guy any more."

Renfrew girl—"Has Mr. Smith wooden arms."

Mr. Tyner—"No, he holds his arms that way so as to catch his high notes."

The Wart (Hastings) says he will see the fun next time.

Tyner and Malone report walking not good in Renfrew, especially across the Suspension Bridge.

Mystery at Arnprior, "Who captivated Volume and made him miss his train?"

Mr. Porteous—"On a question of information, who sat on the door-step from 12 o'clock until 2 a.m.?"

Mr. Lavell—"Mr. President, I object. This is a base insinuation."

COPY OF CIRCULAR RECENTLY SENT TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY COUNCIL.

Extract from the minutes of the Annual Meeting of the University Council, April 26th, 1898:

"The Principal submitted his report. This year (1898) having completed the twenty-first of his service, he outlined the progress of the University during that time. The number of students, in all the Faculties, in 1876-7 was 130; in 1897-8, 589. Then there was but one building, the one now used by the Medical Faculty. In 1879 the main building was erected; in 1889 the Carruthers' Hall was added; and now the limit of accommodation has been reached. Of the 589 students, fortunately more than 100 are extra-mural. It would be impossible to accommodate the whole number in the class rooms. The progress of the University can be seen still more markedly in the additions to the staff, and to the equipment, and still more to the honour work accomplished. Looking to the future, it was absolutely necessary to either call a halt or to provide more accommodation. He suggested that a new building should be erected for Consulting Rooms, Library, and Museum; with a Gymnasium in the basement. Then the present library and Museum might be used as class rooms. Other suggestions were made by him as to the best means of dealing with the emergency; but all involved a probable expenditure of \$50,000 or \$60,000, for buildings, and \$20,000 more for maintenance. He asked that the Council take into consideration the whole matter, so that some action may be agreed upon next year. The Principal then discussed the

loss of revenue from decline in the rate of interest and other causes in the past twenty-one years. The fees, however, had increased from about \$300 to over \$10,000. Queen's is the only University in the land counting its benefactors by the thousand, but as few of them are rich, it is necessary to enlist the interest of all in so important an undertaking as that of increased accommodation."

DEAR SIR,—The Chancellor requests me to send you this minute. He trusts that you will give the matter full and careful consideration, and consult with graduates and friends of Queen's in your vicinity, in order that the best possible plan may be adopted at the next meeting of the Council. I may add that the number of students this year is over 600, of whom only 90 are extra-mural. The Chancellor will be glad to hear from you at any time on this or any other matter affecting the welfare of the University. Believe me,

Yours respectfully,

J. C. CONNELL,
Registrar.

POLITICAL SCIENCE AND DEBATING CLUB.

The regular meeting of the Political Science and Debating Club was held in the English class room on Thursday, Jan. 12th, at which Mr. Dempster, in the short time allotted him, gave quite a comprehensive idea of the Fabian Essays, indicating the lines along which the authors of those essays wrote. In the absence of those who were to lead the discussion, the President made some critical remarks on socialistic ideas of governmental control of railways, etc.

Christmas holidays brought many joys, but they brought also their burden of sorrow, when the sad intelligence reached us that John Smith (nephew of Dr. Knight) was dead. Last summer he had an attack of fever, from which, it seems, he had never thoroughly recovered. Being anxious to continue his studies, he returned to College last October, and the result was that the strain of study brought on meningitis, which terminated fatally on the last day of the old year. His first session with us was spent in Arts, but this session he entered Medicine. He had been with us but a year and a half, but even in that short time many had come to know him as a faithful student, and a man of more than average ability. He was of a quiet, retiring nature, but his inoffensive and pleasant disposition deeply attached to him all who had come to know him. Our sympathy is extended to the bereaved relatives and friends.

CLASSICAL AND PHILOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

On the afternoon of Monday, Jan. 16th, a meeting of the Classical and Philological Society was held. G. Clark read a paper written by W. M. Brandon on "Horace's Picture of the Roman World." The paper showed careful reading on the part of Mr. Brandon, who treated his subject exhaustively. Starting with the statement that true poetry reflects the life and spirit of the times, Mr. Brandon proceeded to show that Horace's poetry in this respect is not found wanting. We find there pictured in vivid detail the varying phases of street life in Rome, her social life, its pleasures and its sorrows. In his satires the vices and extravagant tastes of the times are rebuked. In his odes and epodes morality is taught. Here and there throughout the works of Horace may be gathered the main points of Roman History: the various struggles for empire as well as the internal life of Rome. Throughout his poetry the idea of the power and magnificence of Rome is ever kept before us, as well as the leading trait of Roman character, viz., "severitas." This trait is shown in all phases of Roman life: the street adherence to law: the distinct division of classes and the thoroughness of her rule. Even in the metrical construction of Horace's poetry we see this trait reflected: the form is strict and unbending in perfect harmony with Roman character.

ATHLETICS.

HOCKEY.

At the Kingston Rink last Saturday night Queen's II. and R.M.C. II. played the first game in the intermediate series of the O.H.A., Queen's winning by 8-5. The teams lined up as follows:

R.M.C. II.—Goal, Chipman; point, Bingey; cover-point, Kirkland; forwards, Harvey and Myles centres, and Carr-Harris and Byrne wings.

Queen's II.—Goal, Carmichael; point, F. F. Carr-Harris; cover-point, Walken; forwards, Newlands and Knight centres, and Curtin and Elliott wings.

Referee—Mack Murray, Frontenacs.

The Cadets had slightly the best of the play in the first half, the score standing 4-2 against Queen's. Myles and Harvey each scored two for Cadets, while Newlands and Knight were responsible for the two scored for Queen's. In the second half Queen's certainly out-played the Cadets, scoring six goals, while their opponents got one. Knight scored three, Newlands two, and "Chaucer" one. The goal for Cadets was accidentally put through by Queen's point.

The ice was in poor condition, but notwithstanding the game was fast and quite rough.

The first game in the O.H.A. senior series was played last Monday night at the Kingston Rink be-

tween Queen's I. and R.M.C. I., the military men being defeated by 15 goals to 4. The teams were:

R.M.C.—Goal, Chipman; point, Wilkie; cover-point, McConkey; forwards, W. Harty and Bryne centres, and Kirkland and Piddington wings.

Queen's—Goal, Carmichael; point, Curtis; cover-point, Merrill; forwards, Dr. J. Harty and Dalton centres, and Curtin and Carr-Harris wings.

Referee—Mack Murray, Frontenacs.

The first half closed with the score 9-1 in Queen's favor, Dalton, Harty and Merrill doing this part of the work for Queen's, and Bryne for the Cadets. Cadets played better in the second half, Harty and Bryne scoring three goals, while Queen's added six more to their score.

Both Queen's teams are without doubt the best the College has placed on the ice for several years. A great improvement is especially noticeable in the second team.

INTERCOLLEGIATE FIELD SPORTS.

Correspondence is at present going on among the Canadian universities and colleges regarding the formation of a union for the furthering of field sports, which branch of athletics has been in the past much neglected. There is every hope of such a union being successfully formed, and the Athletic Committee of Queen's is putting its shoulder to the wheel.

Arts Department.

AMONG the Arts students the *Conversazione* is receiving far from a good support. How senior students can have such little college spirit as to accept the hospitalities of other institutions and never give anything in return is more than we can account for. Nevertheless it is a deplorable fact that every time a dinner or *Conversazione* is mooted at Queen's, at least so far as the Arts men are concerned, it receives a limited support. We trust that some means will be found to remedy this defect so that the members of future finance committees will not experience the same difficulties as the members of the present committee.

Y. M. C. A.

On Friday, Jan. 13th, the first Y.M.C.A. meeting of the new year was held in the junior philosophy room. The attendance was fair and would have been larger had not the Divinities an examination at that hour. The subject, "Hope," was well treated by the leader. An interesting discussion of the subject took place among the members. Notice was given that at the meeting on the following Thursday delegates would be selected to attend the Brockville convention.

CLASS REPORTS.

'01.

The first regular meeting of the New Year was held on Wednesday, Jan. 11th, in the Junior Philosophy room. Miss Harkness was made critic. A communication from the Arts Society was received. Mr. Ellis gave the report of the "At Home" committee, showing a surplus of 32c. The following programme was rendered:—Speech, Mr. Aylesworth; chorus led by L. Macdonnell; recitation, Miss Tracy; piano solo, Miss Shaw. After an able criticism by Miss Harkness, the meeting adjourned.

'02.

The regular meeting was held on Monday evening, Jan. 16th. A communication from the Arts Society was read, *re* the talking in the halls. The resignation of the Prophet was received and laid on the table till next meeting. The "At Home" committee presented their report, and there being a deficit of \$4.50 the Treasurer was instructed to pay over that amount to the convenor of the finance committee. L. P. Silver gave notice of a motion to add two clauses to the constitution. The meeting was then favored with a piano duet from Misses Dickson and Silver; and short addresses from the new members. The critic, Miss G. Power, gave her report and the meeting then adjourned.

McDOUGALL—McDONALD.

A quiet marriage was that which was celebrated at the home of Mr. John McDonald on Wednesday evening last, when his daughter, Annie E., was united in matrimony with Mr. J. B. McDougall, B.A., principal of the North Bay public school.—*Carleton Place Herald*.

Mr. McDougall was an illustrious member of '96, and the JOURNAL extends congratulations. Well done, "Cæsar."

At the Freshmen's "At Home." Miss M. (to her escort at refreshments)—"Mr. G-r-h-m, wouldn't you like to forage round for some fruit?"

Gr-h-m—"No! wouldn't you?"

Miss M—"Not just now; I think it is as little as you could do for me."

Gr-h-m—"Nit; help yourself and make yourself to home."

Jno. McConnell while disporting himself on the ice in the harbor on a recent evening had the misfortune to cross the orbit of an ice-boat at the wrong time. The damage to the latter we have been unable to ascertain, but John was heard to remark as he ruefully surveyed the bruised and swollen extremity, "Boys, oh boys, there's no *dagesh* *lene* about that calf."

Ladies' Column.

COMMENTS.

BACK again from the holidays! The two weeks have slipped away almost before we knew they were begun, and now once more we unpack our trunks, draw from them bundles of good resolutions, alas, all broken, and wipe the two-weeks-old dust from the hooks we took home with us. No longer are we surrounded by an admiring family and make ourselves ill with the relics of Christmas feasting. No more do our big brothers from Toronto expatiate upon the fall's delightful football season, or our intimate friends from McGill talk about hockey. (We had them there, though; they had forgotten last winter's game,—but, of course, their full team was not playing!.) Ah no! we are among friendly faces again, but still, we have no time to think of friendly faces. Our neglected books look down on us, paper and ink lie on our tables, and in every corner of the room we seem to read that awful sentence of the calendar, "Fortnightly essays will be required." The sins of our youth are being visited on our heads; with a groan we take up the pen, open the encyclopedia and begin.

The question mooted in the last number of the JOURNAL as to the place the lady students shall occupy in the Alma Mater Society is an extremely important one. Of course we have a perfect right now, as far as the letter of the law goes, to all the privileges enjoyed by members; but could any change be more radical, would anything make a more thorough revolution in college practices, than our claiming these privileges? The letter was answered in the last number, but the lady editors would like to say a word about it themselves as a matter lying peculiarly within their province.

We do not believe that public opinion among the lady students is in favor of any such change of customs. "One of the Fifty-five" says that the A.M.S. is not, and cannot claim to be, representative so long as the ladies do not attend the meetings. But surely this is not sound logic. By the very act of paying the fee we become bona-fide members, and as such are represented by the Society. Whether or not we choose (and it is a mere matter of choice; there is no rule against it) to appear in the junior philosophy room every Saturday evening at eight o'clock, has, we think, nothing to do with that.

We must not forget how generously we have been treated. It very seldom happens that any wish of the majority of the girls is not gratified, and we do appreciate their kindness, but we can understand that many of our number would prefer having these things come less as a favor to us personally than be-

cause they are recognized as right and best. Might not this be gained, in part at least, by a proper use of the Levana Society? If the Levana were to attend to all business affecting the girls, make its decisions and then pass these on the form of recommendations to the A.M.S., we believe that we could let our wishes be known in a much more dignified fashion than the one at present in vogue. And we think that no one would deny us, as a body, the right to express our opinions about our own affairs.

This is no new principle. It is used in appointing the lady members of the JOURNAL staff; all we wish is an extension of it to take in other things. This would surely be more becoming than our present course, and infinitely more so than that proposed by "One of the Fifty-five." Only, it presupposes a larger attendance at the Levana meetings than has been customary. One more strong reason for coming!

Y. W. C. A.

The Christmas meeting of the Society was held on the 20th Dec., as many of our members were leaving the city early in the week for their holidays. Miss Minnes read an excellent paper on the joys and privileges which are ours, particularly at this season. She spoke of how the true Christmas spirit ever leads us to share our blessings with our less fortunate sisters, thus by our loving helpfulness increasing our own store of happiness by sharing it.

A Christmas message from Miss McKellar, M.D., our Honorary President, was read:

"Over and over the cry is heard
Come and bring us the saving word;
Over and over the message rings
From the loving lips of the King of Kings,
'Go and tell them,' 'tis my command,
Go and tell them in every land;
And while one soul of the sons of men
Waits for the word from lip or pen,
We who have heard it must tell them again."

Miss McCallum led the New Year meeting on "True Success," and pointed out how our ideal of success is often a false one; how success in studies, popularity, fame, wealth, and even happiness, while good in themselves, fall far below the standard of "our high calling in Christ Jesus," and how His life of apparent failure was the greatest success this world has ever seen.

"I asked the New Year for some motto sweet,
Some rule of life by which to guide my feet;
I asked and paused, it answered soft and low,
'God's will to know.'"

"Will knowledge then suffice, New Year?" I cried:—
But, ere the question into silence died,
The answer came: 'Nay this remember, too—
God's will to do.'"

"Once more I asked: 'Is there still more to tell?'
And once again the answer softly fell:
'Yes, this one thing, all things above—
God's will to love.'"

ON THE RINK.

He was skating alone on the rink,
'Mid the merry light-hearted throng,
The bright-faced glad couples sped by him,
So joyfully gliding along.

He saw a gray fur coat quite near him,
And his heart said, "'Tis she! 'Tis she!'"
He flew to her side and whispered,
"Dear M—, come and skate with me."

Then straight she turned and froze him,
With an eye he could not evade,
And his knees grew weak beneath him—
'Twas the other gray-coated maid.

He skates no more 'mong the maidens,
His heart is like lead in his breast;
But he chases the puck with the foremost,—
He's concluded that hockey is best.

CORRESPONDENCE.

If the columns of the first JOURNAL for '99 can afford space for a further discussion of the status of the girls in the A. M. S., I would ask the kindly indulgence of the editors for the use of the same. The spirit of universal kindness with which Christmas-tide had filled me, gave me twinges of regret when, on perusing the holiday number of the JOURNAL, I found that my remarks, which were made in perfect innocence and good faith, had so roused the ex-editor that, as the school-boy would say, "he got mad and called me names." Had my contribution been read in the spirit in which it was written, he would scarce have so far lost his dignity, even in a journalistic controversy. However, in future I shall remember it is dangerous to attack an editor upon his own grounds, even though he should invite "criticism—anything but indifference"—and with this contribution I shall retire from the controversial field.

As to being "a woman's rights advocate" I lay no claim to the title. The position of woman in political matters can safely be left to the upward evolution which everywhere marks the course of history,—eventually she will here or elsewhere reach that status in which her influence and power will be greatest. The idea, however, which at present the phrase "woman's rights advocate" calls up in the minds of our best men and women is not at all applicable to any of the Queen's girls.

As to the reference to the character of the discussions of the A.M.S., we thought even the proverbial Scott would see that the writer was not serious and so did not think it necessary to label the remark "joke." Needless to say we are pleased to receive assurances that nothing worse than cold logic (which, however detrimental to womankind, if taken in excess, has never been known to harm man's nobler nature) marks the proceedings there. Sometimes, indeed, whisperings get abroad of discussions

wherein epithets not only like-warrior but hot were flung across the halls by prominent members. Probably on such occasions "Sister Mary" allowed her unruly member to kindle a great matter with a little fire.

As to the piano question, we are so dense that we still fail to grasp the point which the ex-editor says he "tried to make." The fact that the bill for the hire of the piano used by the girls has always been sent on to the Principal by the Levana Society, naturally led to the supposition that the Senate paid for such hire. If, as we are now assured, the sum has always been voted by the Athletic Committee of the A.M.S., what advantage could it possibly be to the girls to have the donation made by the Society as a whole? Or, are we to have two pianos, one provided by the Committee and the other by the Society?

As a question of information, did the editor read the editorial in connection with my former letter? If so I cannot see how he interpreted the "slack season" as having any reference to our studies. This, also, we are "too dense to comprehend," for in both cases the time referred to was the early part of the second term when there was not much business before the Society. Perhaps we are unduly sensitive, but there seemed to be a slight tinge of condescension, which is not highly complimentary, in the suggestion of utilizing this season for a series of meetings which would afford us entertainment. It recalls incidents in our childish days, when some kind old gentleman after service said, "You have been a real quiet girl so here's a stick of candy." Though still capable of enjoying pleasure with all the gust of youth we have, I hope, out-grown this stage even when the candy takes the form of entertainment.

Do not fear, gentlemen, the girls are not longing to curtail your opportunities of sharpening your wits and of cultivating your forensic talents by asserting their rights in the A.M.S., but be consistent, and so long as your sentiment lowers your estimate of a woman who mentions the possibility of exercising her rights of membership in your Society, cease to throw upon her shoulders the grave responsibility of availing herself of all means within her reach to insure the filling of the offices in the gift of the Society by men who are fitted by their true worth to uphold and do honour to the name of Queen's.

ONE OF THE FIFTY-FIVE.

[According to the old-fashioned notions under the influence of which we were brought up, it is the inalienable right of woman to have the last word in any controversy. So far as we are concerned, therefore, the present case is closed.—ACTING-ED.]

Medical College.

NOTES.

FROM a notice recently posted we learn that the Chancellor has donated a prize of \$70 to be given to the final student taking the highest aggregate marks, writing on the Ontario Council Exams., and taking his fifth year either in Queen's or Europe. This is but another evidence of the interest our worthy Chancellor has in the University as a whole, and we trust that his practical hint as to the needs of the Medical Department will not be forgotten. The great need of our Medical Department at present is the endowment of "chairs" in the different subjects sufficient to enable ten Professors to devote their entire time to their subjects. There is not one who is adequately paid for his services and while we bear tribute to their faithfulness we cannot but regret that their circumstances at times compels their absence from classes and clinics necessitating, especially in the two final years, a waste of time much deplored by advanced students.

We are given to understand that there will be three house surgeoncies granted this year, a change that will be much appreciated by the coming graduates. In this connection we dare hope that the operating surgeon will see his way clear to have the house surgeons assist him in all his operations. At present the only advantage a house surgeon seems to have is to stand on the floor clothed in a white apron and obstruct the students' view instead of sitting in "the gods" and having his view obstructed. The superintendent invariably has one of the house surgeons administer the anæsthetic while he stands by and gives instructions, and we think it would only be fair to the other that he should at least receive the instruction by assisting the operator.

We extend heartiest congratulations to Mr. J. W. Barton, who, during the festive Xmas season, joined the M.M.P.A. He is a little fellow but very daring.

Some of the Meds. are anxious to find out what nerve tonic a visiting combined clergyman, surgeon, and foreign missionary used, as they think did they but know the "mixture" they would have a "gold mine."

The River Jordan averages two feet deep, rapids and all; what is the draught of the proposed "yacht?"

If a man represents as President a company with a surplus of \$30,000, why does he need to travel 4,000 miles to get material to build a \$200 yacht?

The Medical Dinner, the one event towards which all Meds. eyes are ever turned, was held with the usual ceremonies at the Hotel Frontenac on Dec.

22nd, 1898. The menu was all that could be desired and Mr. Crate, the proprietor of the hotel, deserves every student's thanks for his share in making the dinner the most successful ever held under the auspices of the Æsculapian Society. Never in the history of Medical dinners has there been better appointment, speeches, attendance or order. In regard to the speeches, some of the guests have expressed to the speakers their appreciation of the sentiment which animated them, as well as the excellent manner in which these were delivered. As to the order observed it cannot be more fittingly described than in the words of one of the guests, who said the students present were "surprisingly attentive and disgustingly sober." Great credit is certainly due the members of the different committees for the work they performed, although some of the members of committees seemed to be over-worked, especially two of the Entertaining Committee who had to retire before the close and take a much-needed rest. It seems to have been particularly gratifying to the Faculty to note the higher standard upon which all departments were ordered. Was there a Faculty song? Well! ask the Professors who waited so anxiously with unlit cigar for their turn. After they had been sung the first remark was, "That is not so bad, have you got a match?" Of President, guests, speeches, songs, dinner and order, we may write over the dinner of 1898 in large caps, THE BEST.

Our apologies are certainly due the Faculty for the appearance of the song in the public prints. It was put in without any authority and must have been secured by some one who did not understand the nature of the dinner.

Science Hall.

NOTES.

EVERYTHING round the Hall has settled down to normal again since the holidays. Even the HCl has appeared again and gladdened the hearts of the chemical analysis friends. Several improvements have been made in the laboratories during the vacation. New air and steam baths have been added to the quantitative laboratory, built by Messrs. McKelvey & Birch, from the designs, we believe, of our late demonstrator, Dr. Lehmann. The draft hoods on the different desks have been improved, and it is the intention to keep the ventilating fan running all the time.

The prospectors are again with us. There is not quite as large a class as usual, but it is early yet and their number is increasing every day.

At a meeting of the Engineering Society, held Friday, 13th inst., A. H. Middlemis was appointed

Science representative for '02 "At Home." He reports having had a most enjoyable time. At the same meeting a committee consisting of Messrs. Merritt, Instant, Graham, Craig, Stevens, Fraleck, Murray, Redmond and Fairlie was appointed to rush along the Science dinner. This takes place next month and is the social event of Science Hall. Already the prospects are very bright for even a more successful dinner than last year, if such a thing be possible.

Query.—How many of the boys sat on those freshly varnished radiators?

It is rumored that one of our number was "knocked out" in the gymnasium by one of his colleagues quite recently. George, we believe, is open to receive challenges for the championship of the college.

Have you heard Alf's storiote about the school teacher and the squirrel?

Prof. DeKalb is expected back from Mexico this week.

What's the matter with calling the class in essaying an "All-day-Sucker?"

Prof. Carr-Harris is again attending to business, having recovered from a severe attack of la grippe.

Divinity Hall.

NOTES.

THE abrupt softening of the weather is very trying to such a sensitive organism as Divinity Hall. Besides the ice is soft, and one would feign plead a Bye, were it not that such an excuse would too plainly indicate softening of the brain, and we are in a too badly organized condition to afford any such admission. The Bishop was away for over a week, and so nothing could be done. One of the elders returned humming "Little Bo Peep," but his very fleece was left behind and the blast is "tempered to the shorn lamb." Hence the softness of the weather referred to in the foregoing. Furthermore, one of the Professors does not ask us to agree with his statements, not to discuss them, but simply to learn them. This is too soft. Better a stroke on the head with a club of Truth than such agreeing to disagree. It is all very enervating and accounts for the incoherence which, with a sense of duty, constitutes this paragraph. Let no man be deceived.

A recent copy of *The Prairie Witness*, a church paper, published in Indian Head, Assa., contains some items of interest. J. W. Muirhead is one of the publishing committee. Rev. A. Fitzpatrick, Fort Qu'Appelle, has an article entitled "A Com-

parison of Tennyson's and Wordsworth's Conceptions of Nature."

"The country sections of Mmnedosa congregation will henceforth be worked by a student under Mr. Herbison's supervision. The pastor's time is all needed to look after our growing interests in town. * * * Saltcoats is vacant so far this winter. They have a silent pulpit in Dougola, and this state of affairs is likely to continue until the graduates of eastern colleges conclude to brave the worst."

The *Witness* is a very interesting little paper, "started as a help to the laying of good foundations in this new land."

The Moderator, in his New Year's sermon, emphasized the necessity of writing three letters for every two written in the old year, that the state take no harm and the church cause no loss.

The Pope will anathematize every Divinity student who does not support the *Conversat*.

Finally, we are all glad to meet Rev. Robt. Laird again in an engagement continuing last year's course of lectures on "The History of Dogma."

Exchanges.

THE *Glasgow University Magazine* is a very bright and breezy exchange. Its humour is generally good and there is plenty of it. Its two main idiosyncrasies are its proneness to talk about itself, and its vigorous bombardment of the *Granta* and everything else that bears the ear-marks of Cambridge. The G. U. M.'s Christmas number is an excellent magazine in lighter vein, and reflects credit on the energy and ability of the staff and the contributors. But it talks about itself in true American style and one can almost imagine he is reading a bumptious New York Daily which has in its own estimation effected a "scoop" or determined the policy of the Federal government. Besides numerous pencil sketches the Christmas number contains a picture of Principal Story, whose strong fearless countenance bears testimony to the sketch which the editor gives of him, and in which he says, "In all his utterances one could not refuse homage to two of the manliest qualities any human being can possess—intensity of conviction and unmistakable fearlessness."

The American Collegiate Institute *Monitor* of Smyrna, Turkey, is perhaps the most unique journalistic effort of which we have any knowledge. It is issued fortnightly during the school year under the auspices of the Debating Club of the above institution, comprises eight pages, not including cover, and may be had for the sum of 14 piasters. The unique feature about the *Monitor* is the

fact that the whole paper including the design of the front cover, is the product of the pen, and such mechanical expedients as type and press are unknown. We heartily commend the zeal and ability of our young friends with the musical names in far away Turkey and wish a long and prosperous life to the *Monitor*.

The President of the Debating Club, under whose direction the paper is published, is Rev. J. P. MacNaughton, who graduated from Queen's in 1884. The contents and the careful execution of the work are alike commendable, and our old friend is to be congratulated upon the thoroughness of the work that he and his confreres are carrying on in their Collegiate Institute.

The JOURNAL extends congratulations to J. M. Farrell, B.A., and A. B. Cunningham, B.A., both ex-Presidents of the A.M.S., who now wear the title "Alderman," having been chosen by the electors of St. Lawrence Ward to represent them in this year's city council. Mayor Ryan is also an ex-President of the A.M.S., and was at one time editor of the JOURNAL. The man who takes an all-round interest in college affairs during his student days, is the man who will take an interest in civic and national affairs, and who will serve his fellow citizens well in any capacity.

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